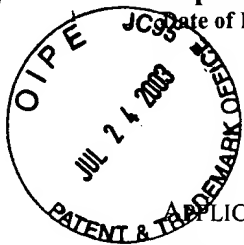


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Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

1. Reply Under 37 CFR 1.111 to Office Action dated January 24, 2003 (8 pgs.);
2. Copy of Fukushima *et al.*, 1995, Br. J. Nutrition 73:701-10 (10 pgs.);
3. Petition for a three (3) month extension of time (1 pg.);
4. Check # 16727 in the amount of \$465.00;
5. Check #16731 in the amount of \$375.00; and
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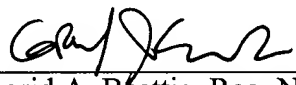
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Pursuant to 35 USC §1.114, Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 09/647,695. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request (this document); 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. Check # 16731 in the amount of \$375.00. Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19374-502NATL. With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants believe that the amendment should be entered and the finality of the Action should be withdrawn. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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